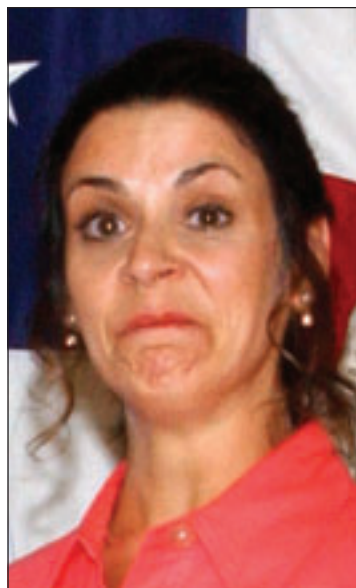


# TEAM KIRTLAND's Best of the Quarter



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# Albuquerque chefs teach, tour, dine

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The Albuquerque chapter of the *Confrerie de la Chaîne des Rôtisseurs* visited Kirtland AFB last week to share their culinary skills with the staffs of the Mountain View Club and Thunderbird Inn.

*La Chaîne*, an international gastronomic society founded in Paris in 1950, promotes the culinary and hospitality arts and enology.

The Albuquerque chapter is under the leadership of Claus Hjortkjaer, owner of Café Mìche, who was recently named Chef of the Year by the New Mexico Restaurant Association.

In a preliminary visit to Kirtland AFB on May 10, three of the chefs, Chef Hjortkjaer, his Executive Chef Wayne Leach and Chef Jennifer James of Graze Restaurant, toured the Thunderbird Inn. There, they enjoyed lunch with some of the patrons, and met with the staffs from the dining facility and the Mountain View Club to share their culinary expertise.

They later helped with advance preparations for some of the menu items for a private, black tie dinner at the Mountain View Club.

The members of *La Chaîne* began their day at Kirtland AFB with lunch at the Thunderbird Inn and spent the afternoon touring the 58th Special Operations Wing.



Taylor Floyd and members of *Confrerie de la Chaîne des Rôtisseurs* tour the 58th Special Operations Wing during a Kirtland AFB visit.



ABOVE—Mountain View Club and Thunderbird Inn Staff prepare dishes with the help of a group of chefs visiting the installation.



LEFT—Chefs and other members of the *Confrerie de la Chaîne des Rôtisseurs* tour the Thunderbird Dining Facility. Tech. Sgt. Brenda McLain, right, food service superintendent, leads the group with Tom Wall, Linda Hjortkjaer, Evelynne Green and Charles Green.

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